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Dodge County Public Health: Let's enjoy the upcoming Memorial Day weekend and 2021 Graduation Parties as we move into Phase 3!

Dodge County Public Health wants to wish all Dodge County residents a happy, healthy, and safe 2021 spring and summer. We hope that you and your friends and family are able to enjoy Memorial Day, graduation parties, weddings and other events. We are also pleased to announce that Dodge County will now move to Phase 3 allowing for larger group gatherings. The phase change will include businesses, bars and restaurants ability to allow up to 75% of their approved capacity and social gatherings ability to increase from 50 to 250 people while still following physical distancing and face covering guidelines. "While current numbers regarding illness and death associated with COVID-19 continue to give us reason for optimism, Dodge County Public Health continues to urge all citizens of Dodge County to remain cautious," said Abby Sauer.

"Dodge County Public Health would like to thank all of you that have received your COVID 19 vaccination. Public Health urges all others to make that same choice," said Abby Sauer, Dodge County Public Health Officer. "We now have the opportunity to celebrate and enjoy warmer weather with family and friends."

In line with Phase 3 guidance Dodge County Public Health encourages residents to:

- Continue to follow best practices for business guidelines provided by the CDC and WI Department of Health Services;
- Limit capacity within non-essential businesses, bars and restaurants to 75% capacity;
- Limit large social gatherings to no more than 250 people while allowing for physical distancing;

As a reminder:

- Follow recommendations for face coverings (vaccinated and non-vaccinated) as provided by the CDC and WI Department of Health Services.
- The COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective. At up to 95% efficacy, the vaccine is very effective at protecting you and all of us from the virus.
- Go to https://www.co.dodge.wi.gov/ and look for the Dodge County COVID Information link at the top of the page. Information about vaccinations is tabbed on the left side for your reference.
- You can call us 920-386-4830 to ask questions about the vaccine and receive help scheduling an appointment for a vaccination.
- You can also call the Wisconsin COVID-19 Vaccine Hotline at 844-684-1064 for help finding vaccine locations state-wide and receive assistance getting registered.
- You can search for vaccine by location and brand at https://vaccinefinder.org/search/ Pfizer is currently the only vaccine approved for ages 12 18. All vaccine options are available for ages 18 and above.

To read the latest information about COVID-19 check the Dodge County Public Health Facebook page, the COVID 19 Information Center page of the Dodge County website, and the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (WI DHS) and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) websites.

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